

ABSTRACT

[[The]] An authentication function (221) authenticates a PDA. The content database (224) holds the usage conditions of a content and the information about the content. The communication function (225) controls the reception of the usage conditions and the content information, both transmitted from the PDA. The content management function (222) updates the usage conditions and the content information received, on the basis of the usage conditions and the content information held. The desired content is thereby retrieved quickly.